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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby brings to the attention of the Examiner the following information.

The following documents were cited in an International Search Report with respect to International Patent Application No. PCT/JP2005/003724, of which the present application is the U.S. National Stage Application. A copy of the International Search Report has been filed concurrently with the present application and should thus have already been brought to the attention of the Examiner.

- (1) Japanese Utility Model No. HEI 6-28404, together with an English language computer-generated translation thereof;

- (2) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 11-182590 A, together with an English language Abstract and an English language computer-generated translation thereof, and patent family member U.S. Patent No. 6,068,097; and
- (3) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 3-251374 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same.

The relevance of the documents cited in the International Search Report, as ascertained with respect to the international claims by the International Examiner, is set forth in the International Search Report.

Applicant further brings to the attention of the Examiner the following documents:

- (4) Japanese Patent No. HEI 6-53350 B2, together with an English language computer-generated translation thereof. Applicant notes that this document is cited beginning at page 1 of the specification of the above-captioned application; and
- (5) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2002-337062 A, together with an English language Abstract and an English language computer-generated translation thereof. Applicant notes that this document is cited beginning at page 2 of the specification of the above-captioned application.

Further to 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(ii), a copy of the U.S. patent publication is not enclosed herewith. However, if a copy is needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.


The undersigned notes that the present Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted prior to the mailing of an Action based upon the merits. Thus, no fee is required to be paid to ensure consideration of the documents cited therein. However, should this Information Disclosure Statement cross in the mail with an Action based upon the merits, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit No. 19-0089 the appropriate fee to ensure consideration of the cited materials.

Applicant notes that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus, no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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